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H. R. 587.

JANUARY 7, 1847.

Read twice, and referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions.

Mr. EDWIN H. EWING, on leave, introduced the following bill:

A BILL

Providing compensation to pension agents.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives 1 of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That from and after the passage of this act, there shall be allowed and 3 paid to the pension agents of the United States such a commis-4 sion on their respective disbursements as the Secretary of War 5 shall deem just and reasonable, not to exceed in any instance a 6 commission of four percentum on the amount by them respect-7 ively disbursed, nor to exceed in any instance the sum of twelve 8 hundred dollars per annum; the same to be in full compensa-9 tion for the service, risk, and contingent expense of such agent 10 or agents: Provided, however, That a further allowance may be 11 made by the Secretary of War, not to exceed one hundred dol-12 lars, to a pension agent in any State or Territory in which the 13 amount disbursed shall be less than five thousand dollars. 14 SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That there shall be al-1 lowed to the several pension agents, for the payment for whose 2 services no provision has been made by law, for services hereto-3

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